T.V. Relay Station, at Rameshwaram

421. SHRI R. MOHANARANGAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a T.V. relay station at Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Establishment of a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Rameswaram is included in the VII Plan of Doordarshan. The transmitter is expected to have a service range of about 140 kms.

Explosion in Bhilai Steel Plant

422. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two workers were killed in an explosion in a furnace in the Bhilai Steel Plant melting shop on 3rd April, 1986; and

(b) whether any inquiry into the causes of the accident has been conducted, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Yes Sir. Compensation payable to the successor of the deceased under the Workmen's Compensation Act has been deposited with the Compensation Commissioner. Other dues have been disbursed to the successors by the plant management.

(b) The management of Bhilai Steel Plant has constituted a High Level Enquiry Committee to enquire into the accident. Government of Madhya Pradesh has also constituted an Enquiry Committee.

Formulation of a Water Management Plan with World Bank assistance

423. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently formulated a water management plan with the assistance of World Bank; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). The Ministry of Water Resources, in association with the World Bank has formulated a project called "The National Water Management Project". The main objective of this project is to improve the performance of some of the exitsing irrigation systems by improving the physical infrastructure and by suitable modifications in the operation of the canals to ensure timely and equitable supply of water over the entire command.

Closing down of publication of Journals

424. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of journals published by his Ministry have recently been closed or proposed to be closed; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) and (b) Only four journals, namely Akashi (Assamese) Betar Jagat (Bengali), Nabhovani (Gujrati) and Vani (Telugu) were closed down as these journals have been incurring losses over the years

and were not likely to become self supporting.

Drinking water supply in West Delhi Colonies

425. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Municipal Corporation of Delhi propose to supply filtered drinking water to Sunder Vihar, Mira Bagh, Ambika Vihar and other colonies in West Delhi;

(b) whether it is proposed to charge a flat rate for water supply from the cooperative Societies maintaining these colonies;

(c) whether it is also proposed to charge in respect of the vacant plots where no construction or no water is used; and

(d) whether Government propose to direct the MCD to charge as per the existing rates on the basis of the quantum of water supplied to these colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

MIG Flats under the new pattern 1979 Scheme

426. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of MIG flats under HUDCO scheme, 1979 which are under construction for allotment to the certificate holders;

(b) what is the number of such flats constructed so far and allotment if any, made and in which localities;

(c) what is the time limit by when the flats under construction are expected to be ready;

(d) whether the certificate holders registered in the year 1980, have been allotted flats; and

(e) if not what is the serial number of registratfions of 1980 covered so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

अनुसूचित जनजाति की सूची में थारू जनजाति को शामिल किये जाने की मांग

427. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या काका कालेलकर पिछड़ा वर्ग आयोग और बिहार सरकार ने बिहार की थारू जनजाति को अनुसूचित जनजाति की सूची में सम्मिलित करने की सिफारिश की है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो अभी तक थारू जनजाति को अनुसूचित जनजाति की सूची में सम्मिलित न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) इस जनजाति को अनुसूचित जनजाति की सूची में कब तक सम्मिलित कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ?

कल्याण मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो): (क) पिछड़ा वर्ग आयोग (काका कालेलकर आयोग) ने बिहार की अनुसूचित जनजाति की सूची में थारू समुदाय को शामिल करने की सिफारिश की थी । बिहार सरकार की इस समुदाय के बारे में सिफारिश को लोक हित में प्रकट नहीं किया जा सकता ।

(ख) और (ग) अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों की सूचियों में